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POLICY

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**MANAGEMENT OF MILITARY
MUNITIONS AT THE NEVADA TEST SITE**



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PURPOSE

To set forth the National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Operations Office (NNSA/NV) Policy for the control of military munitions at the Nevada Test Site (NTS), and the management of unexploded ordnance (UXO) resulting from such use.

SCOPE

This Policy applies to all NNSA/NV organizations, contractors, user organizations, other federal agencies, and military organizations/units utilizing the NTS to conduct training or testing operations and activities which involve the use of military munitions.

DEFINITIONS

1. **Military Munitions.** Means, as defined in Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 260 Section 10, all ammunition products and components produced or used by or for the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) or the U.S. Armed Services for national defense and security, including military munitions under the control of DoD, the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and National Guard personnel. Military munitions do not include wholly inert items, improvised explosive devices and nuclear weapons, nuclear devices, and nuclear components thereof. However, the term does include nonnuclear components of nuclear devices, managed under DOE's nuclear weapons program after all required sanitization operations under the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, have been completed.
2. **Unexploded Ordnance.** Means, as defined in DOE M 440.1-1, explosive ordnance which has been primed, fused, armed, or otherwise prepared for action, and which has been fired, dropped, launched, projected, or placed in such a manner as to constitute a hazard to operations, installations, personnel, or material and remains unexploded either by malfunction of design or for any other cause.

POLICY

It is NNSA/NV policy to:

1. Establish and maintain responsibilities and authorities to facilitate effective and safe military munitions use, UXO area identification, posting, access control, and mitigation consistent with applicable safety requirements.

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2. Exercise effective range control.
3. Permit operations which utilize military munitions on the NTS when appropriate authorization basis documentation and NNSA/NV management approval is in place.
4. Require all operations involving military munitions to be conducted in a manner which protects employees, the public, and the environment under the purview of NNSA/NV from hazardous conditions.

CONTACT

Questions concerning this Policy should be addressed to the Environment, Safety, and Health Division at (702) 295-1428.



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